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METHOD FOR SELECTING OPTIMIZED LENGTHS OF A

SEGMENTED TRANSMISSION LINE AND A TRANSMISSION

LINE RESULTING THEREFROM

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2002, the time for response to which expiring April 30, 2002, applicant responds as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 12, line 10, delete "and";

Line 12, before ".", insert:

--Fig. 10 shows a generic model according to the present invention for optimizing a segmented transmission line characteristic;

Figs. 11-12 show amplifications and preferred embodiments of the generic model shown in Fig. 9;

Fig. 13 shows a perspective view of an air-spaced, segmented, coaxial transmission line;

Fig. 14 shows a flowchart detailing a generic method according to the present invention for optimizing a segmented transmission line characteristic; and

Fig. 15 shows a flowchart detailing a more detailed flowchart representing preferred embodiments of the invention.--

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